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## **Waxahachie woman safe at home after detention in Middle East**

**By Toby Druin**

*Editor Emeritus*

WAXAHACHIE-Marie Bush has a heart for missions, and it's still beating strong—even after a brush with the law in Dubai, a coastal city on the Persian Gulf. In fact, her experience there and in India more than ever convinced her God is in control and will sustain his people.

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## **EDITORIAL: Don't bet on gambling saving the day\_32105**

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## **EDITORIAL:**

# **Don't bet on gambling saving the day**

A classic battle is about to play out in Austin: Can decency and justice overcome money and greed?

We'll learn more about the answer to that question as lawmakers begin to process the 13 gambling bills filed in this session of the Texas Legislature.

Ironically, some legislators don't seem to know an important truth good parents drill into their children even before they start school: If it sounds too good to be true, it is.



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## **Evangelicals embrace broad range of social concerns\_32105**

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# Evangelicals embrace broad range of social concerns

By Tom Strode

*Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission*

WASHINGTON (BP)-The National Association of Evangelicals has issued a call for a broader approach to public policy issues than conservative Christians have been known for in the past.

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## Godcasting may be portable players' first 'killer app'\_32105

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## Godcasting may be portable players' first 'killer app'

By Kathleen Murphy

*Religion News Service*

WASHINGTON (RNS)-The radio preacher is finding new life in cyberspace.

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## **Habitat nails down Fuller decision\_32105**

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### **Habitat nails down Fuller decision**

**By Adelle Banks**

*Religion News Service*

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (RNS)-Habitat for Humanity's governing board has unanimously affirmed its decision to fire Millard Fuller, the founder of the house-building organization.

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## **Kim's world is big enough for Baptists\_32105**

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# Kim's world is big enough for Baptists

By **Trennis Henderson**

*Kentucky Western Recorder*

WILLIAMSBURG, Ky. (ABP)-Korean pastor Billy Kim, president of the Baptist World Alliance, declined to criticize a Southern Baptist plan to bring "like-minded Baptists" together to form an alternative to BWA.

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## **'Reverse missionary' turns gospel back toward West\_32105**

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## **'Reverse missionary' turns gospel back toward West**

By **Celeste Kennel-Shank**

*Religion News Service*

WASHINGTON (RNS)-For centuries, Western missionaries have tried to spread the gospel abroad. George Kovoor could be called a reverse missionary, because he is an Indian citizen evangelizing Western countries.

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# **Quilters wait for next stitch in life's pattern\_32105**

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Mickey  
Burleson  
helps  
young  
Jenoveva  
Presas,  
age 12,  
display  
her first  
quilt.

The girl  
had been  
orphaned  
and was  
living in

La  
Caldera  
with her  
aunt,  
who  
taught  
her to  
quilt.

## Quilters wait for next stitch in life's pattern

**By Ken Camp**

*Managing Editor*

More than 20 years ago, Mickey Burleson and her husband, Bob, began helping women in an isolated Mexican village improve their quality of life by marketing their handmade quilts to buyers in Texas.

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## **Texas Baptist Forum\_32105**

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### **Texas Baptist Forum**

### **Elm Groves**

I noted the Standard's announcement of the 150th anniversary of Elm Grove Baptist Church in Waelder. In 1956, when I was a junior at Trinity University, Elm Grove took a great faith risk and called me as their pastor. For two years, I served them, and my hope would be that every beginning pastor would have an Elm Grove to love him, allow his mistakes and begin him on a positive journey.

We dare not forget the past, appreciate and value it, and know that without the Elm Groves of yesterday, we never would have arrived at today.

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words maximum.

## Out ((Loud))

*"It was like eating with one of the apostles. We bowed our heads, and Adrian prayed over our paper baskets of fish. I was convinced that when I opened my eyes, the fish would be multiplied all over our table. But that didn't happen."*

### **Jack Graham**

Former Southern Baptist Convention president, speaking at retirement festivities for another former SBC president, Adrian Rogers. (Memphis Commercial Appeal/RNS)

*"The Seeker that we must serve in our worship services is, first and foremost, God himself. ... Our emphasis should be on content that serves the rhythm of revelation and response, not on pleasing guests with particular musical or stylistic choices. Worship should not be designed to suit unbelievers' tastes; nor should we shape it to suit our own. We are to worship God according to his requirements and for his own sake."*

### **Gary Parrett**

Assistant professor at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, who wrote "9.5 Theses on Worship" (Christianity Today) *"Jesus loves the little children, except the ones that burn CDs."*

### **T-shirt**

Created by Merchplaza, a company that is raising awareness of the theft of music, including Christian music, through unauthorized downloading. (RNS)

*Henry Adriion III*

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## **On the Move\_32105**

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### **On the Move**

**Nathan Ables** to Southcrest Church in Lubbock as youth minister, where he had been youth and university intern.

- ♦ **Pam Ackley** to First Church in Cleburne as minister of Christian growth.
- ♦ **Hollie Atkinson** has completed an in-tentional interim pastorate at First Church in Daingerfield. He is available for supply.

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**‘The Passion of the Christ’ could become annual Easter**

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Scene  
from  
the  
movie  
"The  
Passion  
of the  
Christ."

## 'The Passion of the Christ' could become annual Easter event

**By Kevin Eckstrom**

*Religion News Service*

WASHINGTON (RNS)-Easter is that time of year that conjures up images of bunny rabbits, Easter bonnets, jelly beans-and Mel Gibson?

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# **Complexities of life point quartet to grace\_32105**

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## **Complexities of life point quartet to grace**

**By Leann Callaway**

*Special to the Baptist Standard*

A lot has changed for Point of Grace since four young women started singing together 14 years ago at an Arkansas Baptist university.